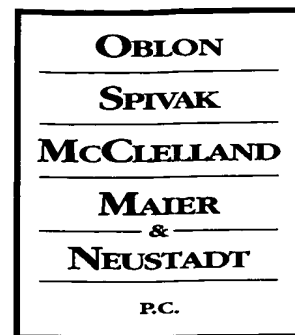




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSIT OF STRAIN DH5 $\alpha$  (pFP1)

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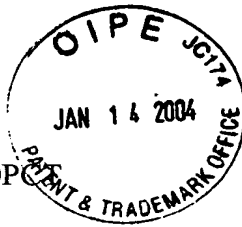
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*Escherichia coli* strain DH5 $\alpha$  (pFP1) is described by Claims 18 and 37. This strain is disclosed in the specification on page 10, last four lines-page 11, line 4 and was deposited under the terms of the Budapest Treaty as FERM BP-7297. As required by 37 C.F.R. 1.808, subject to the one exception permitted by 37 C.F.R. 1.808(b), all restrictions imposed by the depositor on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon granting of the patent. See MPEP 2410.01.

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